

**REMARKS**

Applicant submits this Amendment in response to an Office Action mailed by the USPTO on November 20, 2003.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has required that applicants elect a single disclosed species for further prosecution on the merits. More specifically, the Examiner has identified the following species:

Species I, Figures 1-3

Species II, Figures 4-11

Species III, Figures 12-13

Species IV, Figures 14-15

Species V, Figures 16-17

The Examiner has also taken the position that no claim currently in the application appears generic. Applicants elect Species I, Figures 1-3, for further prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-6, 8, 10-15 and 29 are readable on the Species of Figures 1-3.

Notwithstanding the forgoing election, applicants respectfully submit that claim 1 is generic in that it is readable on all Species identified by the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing remarks, applicants respectfully submit that this amendment is fully responsive to the Office Action. Applicants thus respectfully request early and favorable reconsideration of the present application.

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Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge the fees necessary in connection with this Amendment and any other fees necessary in connection with this application, to Deposit Account Number 02-1666.

Any questions concerning this application or amendment may be directed to the undersigned agent of applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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